

In re application of: Louis C. PHILLIPE, et al.
Serial No: 10/016,067

Filed: December 6, 2001

For: METHODS OF IMPROVING PRODUCTIVITY OF BLACK LIQUOR RECOVERY BOILERS

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
 A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
 No additional fee is required.

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Response to Amendment

1. Applicant's reply was received in the Office on August 25, 2003, which is after the expiration of the period for reply set in the last Office Action mailed on April 22, 2003.

While applicant's reply does authorize the Commissioner to charge payment of the requisite extension of time fee to Deposit Account No. 01-1375, there were insufficient funds in the account when an attempt to charge the requisite fee was made on August 29, 2003.

This application will become abandoned unless applicant obtains a proper extension of time to reply to the last Office Action under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ljiljana (Lil) V. Cirim, whose telephone number is (703) 308-3925.

While she works a flexible schedule that varies from day to day and from week to week, Examiner Cirim may generally be reached at the Office during the work week between the hours of 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. ET.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Henry Bennett, can be reached on (703) 308-0101.

The fax phone number is (703) 305-3463.

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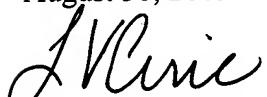
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